GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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RESOURCES SPENT ON MAINTENANCE IN AIIMS
Jha Shri Raghunath

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that most resources of AIIMS are being spent on the upkeep of the hospital than to increase infrastructure and specialized centres for treatment of cancer etc.;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that large number of patients are awaiting surgery for the last many months; and

(d) if so, the reasons thereof and the steps taken to reduce this time gap for surgery?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b) No, Sir. Dr. B.R, Ambedkar Institute Rotary Cancer Hospital at AIIMS is in the process of completion. The building of the project is almost complete and required infrastructural facilities need to be added. There is some time and cost over run in this project for which necessary clearance are being taken.

(c) & (d) The AIIMS get a large number of patients coming from all over the country. Patients with cancer get priority over non-cancer patients. Patients with cancer usually get operated within two to four weeks from the time of first visit. The waiting list for patients with non-cancer diseases depends on specific disease. The institute is reasonably well equipped within the financial resources available.